

Minutes
STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING
9:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 12, 2006
John S. Wright Forestry Center
1011 North 725 West
West Lafayette, IN 47906

SSCB Members in Attendance

Chairman Bob Eddleman
Warren Baird
Jim Cherry
Larry Clemens
Nola Gentry
Bill Mann

Audience in Attendance

Deb Fairhurst, ISDA
Cris Goode, ISDA
Tammy Lawson, ISDA
Jerod Chew, ISDA
Craig Beyrouty, Purdue
Jennifer Boyle, IASWCD
Jane Hardisty, NRCS
Gene Weaver, IASWCD
Chris Remley, Tippecanoe SWCD
Dan Dunten, ISDA

Chuck Westfall, ISDA
Tandy Easler, Tippecanoe SWCD
Devin Bell, Clinton SWCD
Linda Eastman, Tippecanoe SWCD
George Reger, ISDA
Steve Murray, Tippecanoe County Surveyor
Orville Weaver, Retired Dairyman-Dearborn

Call to Order

Chairman Bob Eddleman called the meeting to order at 9:12 AM.

Minutes

Nola Gentry moved to approve the draft Minutes of November 2006 as presented. Larry Clemens seconded and the motion carried.

Leadership Development

Supervisor Resignations and Appointments

Cris Goode stated there were no Supervisor Resignations and Appointments to review this month. Goode went on to follow-up on the appointment report Waneta Lowe gave during the November meeting. As of the November meeting, three Districts had not turned in their completed paperwork for appointments. Of those three, Delaware and Blackford had since turned in the appropriate paperwork. Lowe had still not received appointment paperwork from Fayette SWCD.

Jim Cherry moved to approve the reappointment of Doug Scholer of Delaware and Dave Smith of Blackford . Warren Baird seconded and the motion carried.

Election Update

Goode presented the SSCB with a sign up sheet of annual meeting dates. Goode explained that Lowe would send out election packets to SSCB members later in the week.

District Requests

Eddleman presented District letters from Floyd and Knox requesting waivers from the 10 acre requirement. Discussion followed regarding past decisions and the need for guidelines in the future. The SSCB came to a

consensus that a sub-committee would need to be formed. The sub-committee would be chaired by Gentry who would be joined by Baird and Clemens.

Cherry moved to approved Floyd and Knox's request for a waiver for one elected position for one term. Clemens seconded and the motion carried.

Eddleman entertained a question from the floor regarding the 10 acre waiver and nominations from the floor. Eddleman clarified that nominations from the floor must abide by the 10 acre requirement unless the District has already received a waiver for one elected position for one term this year. The following counties are eligible this year to accept nominations from the floor that do not meet the 10 acre requirement: Marion, Allen, Floyd and Knox.

Leadership Development Workgroup Update

Jerod Chew provided a brief update on the Leadership Development Workgroup. Chew reported that the Workgroup recently met and are preparing for the next round of trainings. The Workgroup is preparing to meet with the ICP Leadership and had already met with the Outreach Workgroup to discuss materials for the upcoming annual conference session that will highlight the Workgroup's current program: "Who Moved My Cheese"

District Support/Updates

Chew introduced District Support Specialists Chuck Westfall and Dan Dunten as well as Resource Specialist Team Leader George Reger. Chew reported that the District Support staff were currently preparing for Annual Meeting Presentations and Business Plans. Chew suggested that the SSCB form a sub-committee in the near future to meet with District Support Staff and discuss a District Support plan for year. Chew mentioned this would also include discussions regarding the direction of the Clean Water Indiana Grants Program. Chew informed the SSCB that the next District Visits Program was set for Dec. 14 and 15 in Vanderburgh County.

Technology:

Technology Workgroup Update

Jane Hardisty reported that the Technology Workgroup was preparing their annual report for the Outreach Committee. The report will include the status of equipment, the state's efforts to acquire robotic total stations, ICP computer status, as well as security issues.

Delivery System:

Delivery System Workgroup Update

Chew stated that there was no update for the Delivery System Workgroup. Chew explained that the ICP is focusing on maintaining the CITs and ways to make them work better.

Funding:

Funding Workgroup Update

Lawson reported that the State is still awaiting news on the Governor's Budget. Lawson continued that there had been progress toward the Funding Workgroup's goal of obtaining a Financial Analyst. Matt Harrod of ISDA is now over research and will serve as the department's new analyst. DSC has already put him to work in budget talks to explain the benefits of leveraging federal programs.

Eddleman explained that the Funding Workgroup is composed of the ICP leadership. The group is focused on creating a funding plan for Indiana conservation, but has been awaiting word on state and federal funding status before moving forward.

Clean Water Indiana Grants

Lawson reported that the Fall 06 Clean Water Indiana Grant recipients should begin receiving their first payment of 75% in early January. DSC is pleased that they were able to expedite this process this round.

CREP Update –Written Report Attached

Outreach:

Outreach Workgroup Update

Goode reported that the Outreach Workgroup met last week. The Workgroup is primarily focused on the upcoming annual conference. The Workgroup plans to assist in conference presentations and materials. They plan to provide an ICP Strategic Plan Update document and presentation for the ICP Leadership. The Workgroup is also working with the Leadership Development Workgroup to create promotional materials for their current program at the conference.

Goode concluded by sharing that the Outreach Workgroup plans to meet with ICP Leaders on the 19th.

Accountability:

Accountability Workgroup Update

Lawson reported that the Accountability Workgroup has been working on the Rapid Watershed Assessments. Lawson also shared that ISDA hoped to hire a programmer soon that could assist in working on the tracking documents. Lawson hopes this addition will allow accountability activities to become more Web based.

Lawson also shared that DSC had recently put together a CREP poster that might be of interest to the SSCB. The poster is located at the following link: <http://www.in.gov/isda/soil/programs/crep/overview/CREP%20Project%20Areas.pdf>

SSCB Chairman's Report

Eddleman reported that the ICP leadership recently attended the national Cooperative Conservation in Nashville, TN.

SSCB Discussions

Eddleman shared the increasing need for the SSCB to work on important conservation issues between meetings. Eddleman suggested that the SSCB possibly consider meeting less often and committing to more committee work in between meetings. The SSCB came the consensus that they wanted to devote more time to this issue. Lawson volunteered to put together information for the January meeting for further discussion.

Committees may include the following: District Support, Clean Water Indiana Grants Program, 10 acre requirement, Rule 5, etc.

ISDA Report

Lawson reported that she contacted IDEM to begin discussions regarding SSCB committee to focus on Rule 5. She reported that she looked for a meeting with IDEM to take place in January.

Lawson also shared that the IRS has recently been out and meeting with some Districts. She reported that the State Board of Accounts will be a valuable contact for Districts when dealing with such issues. Lawson stated that in the future the DSS staff may facilitate relationships between Districts and the State Board of Accounts.

DNR Report-No Report

IDEM Report-No Report

Purdue Report

Dr. Craig Beyrouty shared information about two upcoming grant programs centering on Biofuels. He shared that Purdue was currently involved in a joint Ethanol proposal with MIT in pursuit of a grant from BP. The other grant proposal through the Department of Energy focuses on Bio Energy.

Beyrouty reported that the College of Ag Extension now has a new BioFuels Web site. Beyrouty explained that they feel BioFuels will center on soil and water quality issues. Purdue is currently looking into impacts and solutions.

Beyrouty mentioned that sometime next year, Purdue will have a new Outreach and Education facility at Agronomy farm named the Beck Center. Beyrouty stated they wanted to encourage groups to utilize this new facility in the future.

Beyrouty shared that Lawson is now a member of the Agronomy advisory council.

He also mentioned that the College of Ag was sending out survey to producers to gather feedback on programs on how their programs are best serving producers. Purdue hopes to take the results and develop a more integrative coordinated extension program.

IASWCD President's Report –Written (Attached)

NRCS State Conservationist's Report-Written (Attached)

Farm Services Agency Report-No Report

Public Comment-No Comments

Next Meeting: January 16, 2007-IASWCD Annual Conference

Adjourn

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Approved By:

Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program Report 12-12-06

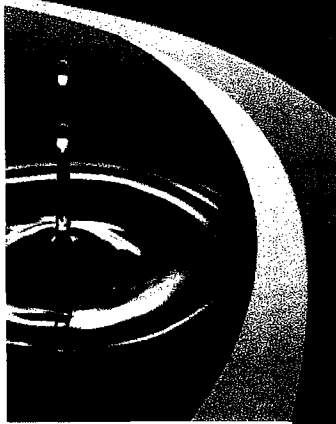
<u>Watersheds</u>	<u>Contracts</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Obligated Funds</u>
Tippecanoe River	237	1612.40	\$223,950.00
Upper White River	67	538.30	\$179,290.00
Pigeon/Highland Rivers	59	169.80	\$23,190.00
TOTAL	363	2320.50	\$426,430.00

<u>CREP Practice Breakdown</u>	
Hardwood Tree Planting	19.1
Filter Strips	1684.9
Riparian Buffer	48
Wetland Restoration, Non-floodplain	180.6
Bottomland Tree Planting	387.9



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2007 Soil and Water Conservation Districts Annual Conference

- Conference is January 16-18, 2007 at the Marriott Hotel
- Krysta Harden, NACD, will address participants at the morning general session on Wednesday, January 17.
- Register before January 9, 2007
- Hotel registration cut-off is December 15, 2006

Cooperative Conservation Partnership Leadership Training Conference

- Partnership attended November 29 & 30 in Nashville, TN

IASWCD Board Meeting

- Held on December 7

Farm Bureau Convention

- Indianapolis, December 8 & 9

Indiana Prairie Farmer

- November issue, Tom Bechman editorial

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Indiana State Soil Conservation Board Meeting
December 12, 2006
NRCS State Conservationist Report

Training Conducted

Joint training was offered to all Indiana Conservation Partnership employees who provide technical assistance for the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). This training was an excellent opportunity for new SWCD staff to become familiar with these important federal conservation programs. Training was held November 28 in North Vernon, December 4 in Petersburg, December 5 in Wabash, and December 6 in Monticello.

District Boot Camp #2 was held November 14. Co-sponsored by NRCS and Ivy Tech State College, the workshop provided training on Web Soil Survey, the Market-Based approach of conservation including the new Energy and Nitrogen tools, as well as information on Mid-Contract Management.

USDA Service Center Space Agreements

Reimbursable Agreements (FSA-875 form) are currently being filled out for 2007. Because the form is the space agreement between FSA and NRCS, SWCDs are not responsible for filling out or for signing the FSA-875 form. The form is being prepared using the actual square footage occupied by employees. Be assured that the 2007 rent for SWCDs will be based on 100 square feet per employee. These costs will be laid out in the space agreements between each SWCD and NRCS.

Office Consolidations

A draft USDA Office Consolidation Plan is being put together by FSA and NRCS to submit to their national headquarters. The plan outlines a concept for future opportunities over a 10 year period. No final decisions have been made, and decisions won't be made until the plan is reviewed at the national level, the partnership has a chance to provide input, and public meetings are held.

2007 EQIP Update

The 2007 EQIP practice list has been finalized (attached). Producers can continue to sign up for EQIP at any time. Applications compete on a statewide basis within two funding pools, one for livestock and one for non-livestock. Applications will be ranked for 2007 on two cutoff dates, December 15 and March 15. All applications above the median score in each pool will be funded.

Reminder: Request to Convene Local Work Groups for Local EQIP Ranking Priorities

Local Work Groups have been asked to submit the top 10 resource priorities identified by Local Work Groups by December 8, 2006. SWCDs are asked to work with their NRCS District Conservationist to submit recommendations.

Background Checks, Cost Increase by \$10 Rescinded

At the last meeting, I reported that a credit release form now needs to be completed and submitted with all employee and partner Background Checks. USDA has rescinded this requirement, and the credit release will not be required. The cost for a background check will remain at \$100.

Indiana NRCS Budget

NRCS has received their initial budget allocation, based on the House mark up. While the dollars for Farm Bill programs are similar to last year, Conservation Technical Assistance (CTA) is cut by approximately \$1.6 million. We have anticipated a possible major reduction in CTA for 2007, and will continue to manage this situation and keep the partnership informed.

Indiana EQIP Practice List

Costs, Special Provisions, Restrictions, and Requirements

Cost share rates and incentives for conservation practices are developed to promote positive conservation outcomes tailored to the environmental needs of Indiana. Cost share types for the EQIP program will be Average Cost (AC) and Flat Rate (FR). For AC, the cost share rate is a percentage of the Average Cost per unit to install the practice. The average cost is developed for each practice or component based on cost data collected from actual installation. The maximum cost share rate for any AC practice will be 50 percent of the AC unit cost. Flat Rates (FR) will be used for incentive payments and are on dollar-per-unit basis. Cost share or incentive amounts will not exceed established dollar or acre caps placed on specific practices. EQIP practices, cost share rates, caps and special provisions are in the following table.

Practices Eligible for Incentive Payments

Incentive payments may be paid up to 3 years. Exceptions are noted in individual practices. **Producers may only receive incentive payments for no-till, nutrient management, pest management, cover crop, or the Energy Conservation Bundle on one contract.** For example, producers who have received an incentive payment for these practices in a previous contract are not eligible to apply for them on additional tracts or contracts. The purpose of an incentive payment is to enable a trial period for an on-farm management change to achieve a desired environmental outcome. **Incentive caps apply to the client/producer; the client may not sign up additional farms or split applications to obtain additional incentive payments.**

Practices Eligible for Cost Share Payments

Cost share payments are one time payments for the installation of a specific practice. The cost share amount is controlled by a combination of the Average Cost per unit or caps on the total practice cost.

Practice Code	Practice Name	Component	Unit Type	FY 07 Unit Cost	Cost Type	Share Rate	Cost share cap	Livestock Practice
IN200	Energy Conservation Bundle	Energy Conservation Bundle	AC	20.00	FR	100	20,000.00	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Available for implementing 329 (No-till) + 590 (Nutrient Management) and or 633 (Waste Utilization) + 340 (Cover crops) + Buffers (386, 393, 332, 390, 391, 412, 422, and/or 380) as a system. <input type="checkbox"/> Available if at least 1 of the 4 practices is currently not installed on the offered acres. <input type="checkbox"/> Buffers must be adjacent to all water bodies and must be at least 2% of the enrolled acres. <input type="checkbox"/> Sink holes shall only be considered water bodies when they hold water long enough to prevent cropping. <input type="checkbox"/> Prioritize buffers as follows <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Water bodies (Required) 2. Sensitive areas 3. Treating resource concerns where they exist in each field 4. Between land use changes <input type="checkbox"/> Buffers may not be used to buffer other buffers. <input type="checkbox"/> Buffers around sinkholes are eligible for inclusion in the 2% minimum requirement. <input type="checkbox"/> This incentive is limited to 1000 acres per applicant per year and is in addition to any other incentive or cost share for the individual practices for the system. <input type="checkbox"/> Producers must install cover crops on all enrolled acres each year to receive the full payment. <input type="checkbox"/> CRP, GRP and WRP acres are eligible to meet the buffer requirement, but can not be included in the acres for the incentive payment. <input type="checkbox"/> Acres under CSP contracts are not eligible for this incentive. 							

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560	Access Road	Access Road - One Way Traffic	FT	12.02	AC	50		
702	Agrichemical Handling Facility	Mixing and Loading pad only	SQ FT	13.70	AC	50		
365	Anaerobic Digester	Anaerobic Digester – Ambient	NO	20,000.00	FR	100	20,000.00	✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> This incentive is a one time only payment.							
366	Anaerobic Digester	Anaerobic Digester – Controlled Temperature	NO	20,000.00	FR	100	20,000.00	✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> This incentive is a one time only payment.							
316	Animal Mortality Facility	Animal Mortality – Timber Walls	SQ FT	20.00	AC	50		✓
	Animal Mortality Facility	Animal Mortality – Concrete Walls	SQ FT	30.00	AC	50		✓
360	Closure of Waste Impoundments	Closure of Waste Impoundments	CU FT	0.75	AC	50	5,000.00	✓
317	Composting Facility	Roofed Concrete Floor	SQ FT	16.00	AC	50	25,000.00	✓
	Composting Facility	No Roof-Concrete Pad	SQ FT	2.75	AC	50	25,000.00	✓
	Composting Facility	No Roof-Gravel Pad	SQ FT	1.00	AC	50	25,000.00	✓
100	Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan	Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan	No	1000.00	FR	100	1,000.00	✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> A one time incentive payment is available to implement the CNMP.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> Applications with CNMPs-only and associated TA will be funded on a first-come, first served basis without ranking.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> Applications with CNMPs and other practices will compete in normal funding pools based on their ranking score.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> CNMP's are required on a Waste Storage Facility (313) and Waste Treatment Lagoon (359) and must be completed and paid for prior to the design and installation of the facility or lagoon. The CNMP shall be used as the basis for the design of any waste storage and handling facilities. Producers building a 313 or 359 are eligible for the CNMP incentive payment.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> CNMP's are not required on Composting Facility (317), Animal Mortality Facility (316), or Heavy Use Area Protection (561).							
	<input type="checkbox"/> Livestock producers not building a 313 or 359 and wanting to develop a CNMP on their operation are eligible for the CNMP incentive.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-livestock producers receiving (collecting and storing) manure from another farm are eligible for the Nutrient Management or Waste Utilization incentives, but not the CNMP incentive or funds for a TSP to develop a CNMP. The applicant must also have a contract to receive manure at the site for the length of the EQIP contract, and provide NRCS with a copy to be eligible for cost share.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-livestock producers receiving manure as part of a contract can build a Waste Storage Facility (313) for storing manure, must develop a CNMP, and are eligible for the CNMP and nutrient/waste management incentives.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> By technical definition, a CNMP is a conservation system that is unique to animal feeding operations (AFO's). It should address all land units that the animal feeding operation (AFO) owner and/or operator owns or has decision-making authority over and on which manure and organic by-products will be							

generated, handled, stored or applied.

- ❑ For EQIP purposes, the CNMP is written/ developed on all acres owned or under decision-making authority at that AFO (i.e. may not include ground 5 miles away that normally does not receive manure and rented ground not under long term contract). CNMP implementation is required on all acres identified to be receiving manure. At the minimum, the CNMP is developed and implemented on all tracts under contract. The CNMP may identify additional acres not currently under EQIP contract that will need to be added which could be done so with a contract modification.
- ❑ For EQIP purposes, an AFO that applies for 313/359 and hauls the manure offsite (i.e. poultry facility with only a few acres), must show control over the land where manure is applied to be eligible for the facility cost-share, CNMP incentive, and any nutrient management incentives for the duration of the EQIP contract.
- ❑ For CNMPs, Animal Units (AU) are defined as 1000 lbs. of live animal. Total animal units are based on the number of animals on the farm at any one time (a snapshot) and are not based on the farm's yearly production. See the Agricultural Waste Management Field Handbook for additional information on animal units and waste calculations.
- ❑ Producers required to develop a CNMP must be informed of the CNMP requirements. Refer to the NRCS AFO CNMP Handout, IN NRCS CNMP Checklist and the CNMP Guidance for Minimum Requirements @ <http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/agronomy/CNMP%20Requirements%2012-19-05.pdf>.
- ❑ See the Indiana Agronomy web page for additional information on CNMP requirements.

Practice Code	Practice Name	Component	Unit Type	FY 07 Unit Cost	Cost Type	Share Rate	Cost share cap	Livestock Practice
327	Conservation Cover	Conservation Cover	AC	117.00	AC	50		
328	Conservation Cropping Rotation	Conversion to Organic Farming	AC	50.00	FR	100	5,000.00	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Eligible only for cropland that is being converted to organic farming. <input type="checkbox"/> Organic farming must meet the established USDA definition of organic farming under federal code (7CFR- 205) establishing the National Organic Program. <input type="checkbox"/> The operation does not have to be totally "certified" to qualify, but would have to have an organic system plan that was agreed to by a certifying agent under the federal or approved state program. <input type="checkbox"/> The incentive is capped at \$5,000.00 per applicant per year. <input type="checkbox"/> USDA web link for organic farming information is http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop/indexNet.htm <input type="checkbox"/> Also see the Indiana State Department of Agriculture's Organic Resource Guide at http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/Organic_Resource_Handout.pdf							
656	Constructed Wetland	Constructed Wetland	AC	643.00	AC	50	5,000.00	
332	Contour Buffer Strip	Contour Buffer Strip	AC	150.00	AC	50		
340	Cover Crop	Cover Crop	AC	15.00	FR	100	3,750.00	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Clients who have received cover crop payments under a previous EQIP contract are not eligible.							
342	Critical Area Planting	Critical Area Planting	AC	950.00	AC	50		
589C	Cross Wind Trap Strips	Cross Wind Trap Strips	AC	200.00	FR	100		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Must establish a permanent warm season grass trap strip with a minimum 15 foot width.							
362	Diversion	Diversion	FT	2.50	AC	50		
554	Drainage Water Management	Drainage Water Management	AC	40.00	FR	100	2,000.00	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Incentive payment for this practice is for the acres being managed under this practice.							
647	Early Successional Habitat Development/ Management	Strip Disking and Spraying and prescribed burning	AC	15.00	FR	100		
	Early Successional Habitat Development/ Management	Woodland Edge Feathering and Forest Regeneration Openings	AC	250.00	FR	100		
	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Strip disking, strip spraying and prescribed burning</u> is eligible for the incentive for up to 3 years. <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Woodland edge feathering</u> is a one time \$250/acre per tract payment. <input type="checkbox"/> Maximum of 100 acres of any combination.							
592	Feed Management	Feed Management	AU	1.00	FR	100	1000.00	✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> This incentive applies only to confined livestock facilities. <input type="checkbox"/> Producers must have a Feed Management plan, developed by a qualified individual, which meets the 592 standard to reduce Nitrogen and Phosphorus loads, reduce feed and water wastage and use, and reduce overall manure production. <input type="checkbox"/> Animal units for the incentive payment will be determined by the Animal units present at any one time at the location or facility.							

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382	Fence	Permanent Exterior Fence	FT	2.02	AC	20		✓
	Fence	Permanent Interior Fence	FT	1.18	AC	50		✓
	Fence	Temporary Interior Fence	FT	0.29	AC	50		✓
386	Field Border	Field Border	FT	.37	AC	50		
393	Filter Strip	Filter Strip	AC	125.00	AC	50		
666	Forest Stand Improvement	Forest Stand Improvement	AC	68.00	AC	50		
	Forest Stand Improvement	Forest Stand Improvement - Storm Damaged Areas	AC	106.00	AC	50		
	<input type="checkbox"/> The offered forestland acreage under control of the applicant must be at least 10 acres. <input type="checkbox"/> A minimum of 10 acres of 666 must be scheduled in the contract. <input type="checkbox"/> A Forestry Plan meeting the Prescribed Forestry (409) standard must be developed prior to receiving cost-share.							
655	Forest Trails and Landings	Forest Trails and Landings	AC	677.00	AC	50		
	<input type="checkbox"/> The offered forestland acreage under control of the applicant must be at least 10 contiguous acres. <input type="checkbox"/> A Forestry Plan meeting the Prescribed Forestry (409) standard must be developed prior to receiving cost-share.							
	Grade Stabilization Structure	Rock Chute less than 4' overfall	NO	2,500.00	AC	50		
410	Grade Stabilization Structure	Rock Chute 4' or greater overfall	NO	4,000.00	AC	50		
	Grade Stabilization Structure	Grout	CU YDS	115.00	AC	50		
	Grade Stabilization Structure	Pipe Drop <4' overfall	NO	2,600.00	AC	50		
	Grade Stabilization Structure	Pipe Drop 4-8' overfall	NO	3,500.00	AC	50		
	Grade Stabilization Structure	Pipe Drop >8' overfall	NO	4,500.00	AC	50		
	Grade Stabilization Structure	Straight Pipe Structure	NO	1,500.00	AC	50		
	Grade Stabilization Structure	Concrete Toewall	NO	5,000.00	AC	50		
	Grade Stabilization Structure	Aluminum Toewall	NO	6,500.00	AC	50		
412	Grassed Waterway	Grassed Waterway	AC	3,280.00	AC	50		

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561	Heavy Use Area Protection	Heavy Use Area Protection Gravel Pad w/Goetextile	SQ FT	0.75	AC	50	20,000.00	✓
	Heavy Use Area Protection	Heavy Use Area Protection Concrete Pad	SQ FT	2.75	AC	50	20,000.00	✓
	Heavy Use Area Protection	Heavy Use Area Protection - Winter Feeding w/roofs	SQ FT	16.86	AC	20	20,000.00	✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Feeding Buildings built according to 561 Heavy Use Area Protection, must be sited in a pasture and must not be used as a confined feeding floor. <input type="checkbox"/> New EQIP rules for cost share on buildings apply to these structures.							
422	Hedgerow Planting	Hedgerow Planting	FT	1.50	AC	50		
449	Irrigation Water Management	Irrigation Water Management	AC	3.00	FR	100	300.00	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Management must decrease non-point source pollution of surface or ground water resources or result in increased efficiency of water use. <input type="checkbox"/> Incentive provided only for existing irrigation systems. Producer must have irrigated 2 of the past 5 years per EQIP policy. The producers' statement or the DCs knowledge of this is acceptable proof.							
468	Lined Waterway or Outlet	Lined Waterway or Outlet	FT	36.00	AC	50		
634	Manure Transfer	Manure Transfer from Storage to Field	NO	5,000.00	FR	100	5,000.00	✓
	Manure Transfer	Manure Transfer from Production Site to Storage	NO	5,000.00	FR	100	5,000.00	✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> Available where a producer does NOT currently meet the practice standard and makes significant changes in waste handling to meet the practice standard. <input type="checkbox"/> An incentive of \$ 5,000 on a manure transfer system from a production site to a storage area . <input type="checkbox"/> An incentive of \$ 5,000 on a manure transfer system from a storage area to the field . <input type="checkbox"/> Only one of each transfer system (\$10,000 in total incentives) is allowed per applicant (a one year, one time incentive for each system).							
484	Mulching	Mulching - Without Erosion Control Blanket	AC	456.00	AC	50		
	Mulching	Mulching - Erosion Control Blanket	AC	7,775.00	AC	50		
590	Nutrient Management	Nutrient Management - Without Animal Waste	AC	5.00	FR	100	1,250	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Eligible land must not currently be under a nutrient management plan. <input type="checkbox"/> Clients who have received nutrient management payments under a previous EQIP contract are not eligible. <input type="checkbox"/> Incentive payments for Nutrient Management (590) and Waste Utilization (633) can not be received on the same acres in the same contract year. <input type="checkbox"/> The Nutrient Management Plan must be developed prior to the practice application.							

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512	Pasture and Hay Planting	Warm Season Grasses	AC	150.00	AC	50		✓
	Pasture and Hay Planting	Cool Season Grasses	AC	145.00	AC	50		✓
	Pasture and Hay Planting	Legume in Addition to Existing Stands	AC	56.00	AC	50		✓
595	Pest Management	Pest Management	AC	4.00	FR	100	1,000	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Only eligible if used in conjunction with Residue Management – No Till (329) and/or Residue Management – Mulch Till (Indiana Modified No-Till) (345), or is within the drainage area of a WASCOB. <input type="checkbox"/> Eligible land must not currently be under a pest management plan. <input type="checkbox"/> Clients who have received pest management payments under a previous EQIP contract are not eligible. <input type="checkbox"/> The Pest Management Plan must be developed prior to the practice application.							
516	Pipeline	Pipeline - Bedded	FT	2.52	AC	50		✓
	Pipeline	Pipeline Non-Bedded	FT	1.66	AC	50		✓
378	Pond	Pond	NO	8,950.00	AC	50		✓
521C	Pond Sealing or Lining, Bentonite Sealant	Pond Sealing or Lining, Bentonite	AC	21,563.00	AC	50		✓
521A	Pond Sealing or Lining, Flexible Membrane	Pond Sealing or Lining, Flexible Membrane	AC	65,340.00	AC	50		✓
521B	Pond Sealing or Lining, Soil Dispersant	Pond Sealing or Lining, Soil Dispersant	AC	3,488.00	AC	50		✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> 378, 521A, 521B, and 521C are cost shared only for livestock watering, Waste Storage (313) and Waste Storage Lagoons (359).							
338	Prescribed Burning	Prescribed Burning	AC	30.00	AC	50		
409	Prescribed Forestry Mgt	Prescribed Forestry Mgt	NO	100	FR	100		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Eligible for a one time only incentive to develop a Prescribed Forestry Plan that meets the 409 standard. <input type="checkbox"/> The offered upland forestland acreage under control of the applicant must be at least 10 acres <u>after</u> the plan is implemented. <input type="checkbox"/> The offered bottomland or wetland forests acreage under control of the applicant must be at least 5 acres <u>after</u> the plan is implemented. <input type="checkbox"/> Producer is also eligible for TSP TA under Planning on Forestland TA (910 Planning + travel) at the TechReg NTE rate for this practice.							
528	Prescribed Grazing	Prescribed Grazing	AC	10.00	FR	100	1250.00	✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> Incentive payment is made during the first 3 years of the contract. <input type="checkbox"/> Cost share payments will also be available for other practices required as part of the plan. <input type="checkbox"/> Must have physically started working towards implementing the practices planned for the rotational grazing system to receive the first incentive payment.							

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533	Pumping Plant for Water	Pumping Plant for Water Control	NO	2,450.00	AC	50		✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cost shared only for livestock water or wetland control.							
329	Residue and Tillage Management, No Till	Residue Management, No Till	AC	20.00	FR	100	5,000.00	
	<input type="checkbox"/> A STIR rating of less than 10 must be documented to receive this incentive. <input type="checkbox"/> This practice must be applied to the same acres all 3 years in which the incentive payments are made. <input type="checkbox"/> Clients who have received no-till (329 or 329A) incentive payments under a previous EQIP contract are not eligible. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant must have no-tilled for less than 5 consecutive years in order to be eligible (based on the current Indiana 329 Practice Standard). <input type="checkbox"/> The rotation for the contract period must include at least two years of no-till corn. <input type="checkbox"/> Must implement nutrient management (590) and pest management (595) the fall prior to the implementation of no-till. This is to address issues that may limit the success of no-till implementation. <input type="checkbox"/> Incentive payments will be provided for nutrient management and pest management practices as well if requirements are met. <input type="checkbox"/> It is intended that 345 precede 329 in a contract where 345 is used as a transition from conventional tillage to the 329. <input type="checkbox"/> In contracts where 345 is used as a transition, the combined total of both practices will not exceed 2 years of 345 and 3 years of 329. <input type="checkbox"/> This is the only case in which both 345 and 329 can be used on one contract. It is not intended to pay for 250 acres of mulch till on one farm or field and 250 acres of no-till on another.							
345	Residue and Tillage Management, Mulch Till	Residue Management, Mulch Till - Modified No-Till	AC	8.00	FR	100	2,000.00	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Practice must meet the Indiana 345 practice standard for modified no-till / high end mulch till system. <input type="checkbox"/> A STIR rating of less than 20 must be documented to receive this incentive. <input type="checkbox"/> This practice must be applied to the same acres all 3 years in which the incentive payments are made. <input type="checkbox"/> Clients who have received mulch till or no-till (345, 329 or 329A) incentive payments under a previous EQIP contract are not eligible. <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant must have mulch tilled (modified no till) and/or no tilled (329) for less than 5 consecutive years in order to be eligible. <input type="checkbox"/> The rotation for the contract period must include at least two years of corn. <input type="checkbox"/> Must implement nutrient management (590) and pest management (595) the fall prior to the implementation of the mulch till system. This is to address issues that may limit the success of mulch till implementation. Incentive payments will be provided for these practices as well. <input type="checkbox"/> It is intended that 345 precede 329 in a contract where 345 is used as a transition from conventional tillage to the 329. <input type="checkbox"/> In contracts where 345 is used as a transition, the combined total of both practices will not exceed 2 years of 345 and 3 years of 329. <input type="checkbox"/> This is the only case in which both 345 and 329 can be used on one contract. It is not intended to pay for 250 acres of mulch till on one farm or field and 250 acres of no-till on another.							

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643	Restoration & Management of Rare or Declining Habitats	Restoration & Management of Rare or Declining Habitats	AC	369.00	AC	50		
391	Riparian Forest Buffer	Riparian Forest Buffer	AC	471.00	AC	50		
558	Roof Runoff Structure	5" Gutters	Lin Ft	3.75	AC	50	3,750.00	✓
	Roof Runoff Structure	6" Gutters	Lin Ft	4.50	AC	50	3,750.00	✓
350	Sediment Basin	Sediment Basin	NO	8950.00	AC	50		
646	Shallow Water Development and Management	Shallow Water Development and Management	AC	2000.00	AC	50		
574	Spring Development	Spring Development	NO	2,000.00	AC	50		✓
578	Stream Crossing	Stream Crossing - Rock	NO	2,500.00	AC	50		✓
	Stream Crossing	Stream Crossing - Culvert	NO	4,720.00	AC	50		✓
	Stream Crossing	Stream Crossing - Concrete	NO	5,370.00	AC	50		✓
580	Streambank & Shoreline Protection	Riprap or Gabion	FT	80.00	AC	50	4000.00	
	Streambank & Shoreline Protection	Bioengineering	FT	50.00	AC	50	4000.00	
	<input type="checkbox"/> This practice must be installed in conjunction with a Riparian Forest Buffer to be eligible for cost share. <input type="checkbox"/> The cap is per participant.							
585	Stripcropping	Stripcropping	AC	12.00	AC	50		
587	Structure For Water Control	Structure For Water Control	NO	1,500.00	AC	50		
606	Subsurface Drain	4" or 5" Tile	FT	1.30	AC	50		
	Subsurface Drain	6" Tile	FT	1.66	AC	50		
	Subsurface Drain	8" Tile	FT	2.50	AC	50		
	Subsurface Drain	10" Tile	FT	3.63	AC	50		
	Subsurface Drain	12" Tile	FT	4.82	AC	50		
	Subsurface Drain	15" or larger Tile	FT	7.05	AC	50		
606	<input type="checkbox"/> 606 is cost shared only as a component of another EQIP cost shared practice. <input type="checkbox"/> Cost share is not to exceed the cost share on the other EQIP practice that 606 is supporting. <input type="checkbox"/> In conjunction with a Grassed Waterway, or Diversion, size is limited to 8 inches. <input type="checkbox"/> Exception: Where an existing tile crosses a Grassed Waterway, or Diversion, and needs to be replaced; then cost share will be provided for replacement of the existing tile for the width of the waterway, regardless of diameter, but diameters greater than 15 inch will be cost shared at the 15 inch diameter rate.							
600	Terrace	Terrace	FT	8.00	AC	50		

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612	Tree and Shrub Establishment	Tree and Shrub Establishment (General)	AC	488.00	AC	50		
	Tree and Shrub Establishment	Tree and Shrub Establishment (Fine Hardwoods)	AC	522.00	AC	50		
	Tree and Shrub Establishment	Tree and Shrub Establishment – Post Planting Herbicide Treatment	AC	45.00	AC	50		
	<input type="checkbox"/> A Forestry Plan meeting Prescribed Forestry (409) standard must be developed prior to receiving cost-share. <input type="checkbox"/> The offered upland forestland acreage under control of the applicant must be at least 10 contiguous acres <u>after</u> the plan is implemented. <input type="checkbox"/> The minimum amount of upland tree planting to be completed must be at least 1.0 acre adjacent to existing forestland that results in at least 10 contiguous acres of forest land. <input type="checkbox"/> The offered bottomland or wetland forests acreage under control of the applicant must be at least 5 contiguous acres <u>after</u> the plan is implemented. <input type="checkbox"/> The minimum amount of bottomland or wetland tree planting to be completed must be at least 1.0 acre adjacent to existing forestland that results in at least 5 contiguous acres of forest land.							
660	Tree Shrub Pruning	Tree Shrub Pruning	AC	68.00	AC	50		
	<input type="checkbox"/> The offered forestland acreage under control of the applicant must be at least 10 contiguous acres <u>after</u> the plan is implemented. <input type="checkbox"/> A minimum of 10 acres of 660 must be scheduled in the contract. <input type="checkbox"/> A Forestry Plan meeting Prescribed Forestry (409) standard must be developed prior to receiving cost-share.							
620	Underground Outlet	4" or 5" Tile	FT	1.30	AC	50		
	Underground Outlet	6" Tile	FT	1.66	AC	50		
	Underground Outlet	8" Tile	FT	2.50	AC	50		
	Underground Outlet	10" Tile	FT	3.63	AC	50		
	Underground Outlet	12" Tile	FT	4.82	AC	50		
	Underground Outlet	15" or larger Tile	FT	7.05	AC	50		
	<input type="checkbox"/> 620 is cost shared only as a component of another EQIP cost shared practice. <input type="checkbox"/> Cost share is not to exceed the cost share on the other EQIP practice that 620 is supporting. <input type="checkbox"/> Diameters greater than 15 inch will be cost shared at the 15 inch diameter rate.							
645	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	Warm Season Grass Planting	AC	178.00	AC	50		
	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	Tree and Shrub Planting	AC	488.00	AC	50		
	Upland Wildlife Habitat Management	Cool Season Grass Planting	AC	89.00	AC	50		

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472	Use Exclusion	Use Exclusion - From Stream or Wetland or Woodland	AC	250.00	FR	100	2,500.00	✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> Incentive to be used for livestock exclusion only, livestock must currently be present in the area intended to be protected to qualify for this incentive.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> Area protected must have a minimum of 30 ft distance to water in the case of streams, measured from barrier to waters edge.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> In the case of wetlands, the area protected is the portion of wetland present on the contract acres that is protected by the exclusion.							
313	Waste Storage Facility	Concrete Pit	CU FT	1.56	AC	50	45,000.00	✓
	Waste Storage Facility	Concrete Pit EXPANSION or NEW	CU FT	1.56	AC	20	18,000.00	✓
	Waste Storage Facility	Earthen Pit	CU FT	1.03	AC	50	45,000.00	✓
	Waste Storage Facility	Earthen Pit EXPANSION or NEW	CU FT	1.03	AC	20	18,000.00	✓
	Waste Storage Facility	Dry Stack-with roof	SQ FT	18.48	AC	50	45,000.00	✓
	Waste Storage Facility	Dry Stack-with roof EXPANSION or NEW	SQ FT	18.48	AC	20	18,000.00	✓
	Waste Storage Facility	Dry Stack- no roof	SQ FT	13.48	AC	50	45,000.00	✓
	Waste Storage Facility	Dry Stack- no roof EXPANSION or NEW	SQ FT	13.48	AC	20	18,000.00	✓
	Waste Storage Facility	Litter Stack	SQ FT	16.00	AC	50	45,000.00	✓
	<input type="checkbox"/> To be eligible for cost share a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP) must be written, approved, delivered, and paid for prior to the start of the waste storage facility, and must be used for the design of this practice.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> If a site has no animals but will be collecting and storing manure from another farm , then the applicant must have a contract to receive manure at the site for the length of the EQIP contract, and provide NRCS with a copy to be eligible for cost share. Cost share will be 50% of AC cost up to the capped amount.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> This practice requires an on site engineering review and cost estimate by a NRCS Engineer during the Inventory and Evaluation process.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> When implemented to solve an existing resource concern on an existing facility site with less than 20% expansion of the Animal Units within the same species, cost share will be 50% of AC cost up to the capped amount.							
	<input type="checkbox"/> In situations where expansion of the Animal Units is 20% or more on an existing facility site, or involves a new facility, cost share will be 20% of the AC cost up to the capped amount.							

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359	Waste Treatment Lagoon	Waste Treatment Lagoon	CU FT	1.03	AC	50	45,000.00	✓
	Waste Treatment Lagoon	Waste Treatment Lagoon EXPANSION or NEW	CU FT	1.03	AC	20	18,000.00	✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ To be eligible for cost share a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP) must be written, approved, delivered, and paid for prior to the start of the waste treatment lagoon, and must be used for the design of this practice. ❑ If a site has no animals but will be collecting and storing manure from another farm, then the applicant must have a contract to receive manure at the site for the length of the EQIP contract, and provide NRCS with a copy to be eligible for cost share. Cost share will be 50% of AC cost up to the capped amount. ❑ This practice requires an on site engineering review and cost estimate by a NRCS Engineer during the Inventory and Evaluation process. ❑ When implemented to solve an existing resource concern on an existing facility site with less than 20% expansion of the Animal Units within the same species, cost share will be 50% of AC cost up to the capped amount. ❑ In situations where expansion of the Animal Units is 20% or more on an existing facility site, or involves a new facility, cost share will be 20% of the AC cost up to the capped amount. 							
633	Waste Utilization	Waste Utilization (Less than or equal to 50 ppm)	AC	30.00	FR	100	7,500.00	✓
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Only available for crop fields where animal wastes are being utilized. ❑ Only fields with a soil test phosphorus level of <50 ppm (100 lbs) per acre will be eligible. ❑ The applicant can be the person whose farm is generating the waste or the person receiving the waste. ❑ The applicant must have control of the fields that are to receive the waste during the contract. ❑ Eligible land must not currently be under a nutrient management plan. ❑ Criteria for the incentive are tied to the fields that will receive the manure. ❑ Pre-sidedress soil nitrate test (PSNT) must be completed on land receiving manure. ❑ Soil test must have been completed within the last 4 years to be valid. The number of acres necessary for manure application should be based on the IDEM "Manure Application Land Requirements." ❑ Incentive payments for Nutrient Management (590) and Waste Utilization (633) can not be received on the same acres in the same contract year. ❑ The Waste Utilization Plan must be developed prior to the practice application. 							
635	Waste Water Treatment Strip	Waste Water Treatment Strip	AC	3,280.00	AC	50		✓
638	Water & Sediment Control Basin	Water & Sediment Control Basin	NO	2,060.00	AC	50		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❑ Water & Sediment Control Basin (638) requires the following three conditions to be met: ❑ Practices 590 (Nutrient Management) and 595 (Pest Management) must already be implemented or implementation started within the year the structure is being built. ❑ Fields within the watershed of the structure must be managed to "T", or practices must be installed in the year the structure is built that brings the soil loss to "T". ❑ All of these requirements apply within the entire drainage area of the WASCObS, whether on the applicant's land or adjacent land. If these requirements are not met, practice 638 and component practices will not be cost shared. 							

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642	Water Well	Water Well	FT	37.19	AC	50		√
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cost shared only for livestock watering							
614	Watering Facility	Portable Tank-Plastic (includes HUAP)	NO	577.00	AC	50		√
	Watering Facility	Portable Tank-Plastic (without HUAP)	NO	232.00	AC	50		√
	Watering Facility	Ball Fountain (includes HUAP)	NO	1476.00	AC	50		√
	Watering Facility	Concrete Tank (includes HUAP)	NO	1188.00	AC	50		√
351	Well Decommissioning	Well Decommissioning	NO	227.00	AC	50		
657	Wetland Restoration	Wetland Restoration	AC	643.00	AC	50		
644	Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management	AC	20.00	FR	100	500.00	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Incentive to manage area for wetland wildlife for a maximum of 25 acres per applicant per year. <input type="checkbox"/> Individual practices installed under this contract will be cost shared at rates established for the practices installed.							
380	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment	FT	1.00	AC	50		
650	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation	Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation	FT	0.30	AC	50		
910	TA Planning	TA Planning	NO	NTE rate	AM	100		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Available only for the development of a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plans (CNMP) or Prescribed Forestry plans (409) scheduled in the current fiscal year.							
911	TA Design	TA Design	NO	NTE rate	AM	100		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Available for the development of a Design (Tree Planting Plan, Engineering Design, Pest/Nutrient Management Plan, etc.) for any practice scheduled for the current fiscal year.							
912	TA Application	TA Application	NO	NTE rate	AM	100		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Available for the Installation (Pre-Construction Assistance, Location of Setbacks, Staking and Layout, installation inspection/assistance, permits, compliance with laws/regulations, etc.) for any practice scheduled to be implemented in the current fiscal year.							
913	TA Checkout	TA Checkout	NO	NTE rate	AM	100		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Available for the Checkout (records of implementation, certification that the installed practice meets NRCS standards and specifications, etc.) of any practice scheduled to be implemented in the current fiscal year.							

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